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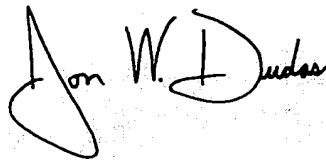
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(54) **METHOD, SYSTEM, AND PRODUCT FOR FACILITATING INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL WITH RESPECT TO IMMIGRATION**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

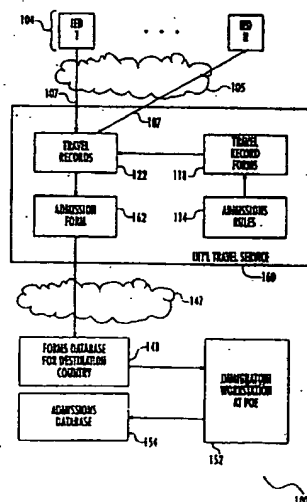
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Method, system, and product for facilitating international travel, including creating, in response to a signal from an internet-enabled device coupled for data communications through an internet to an international travel server, a travel record to be stored within the international travel server; creating in dependence upon the travel record, an immigration admissions form for the destination country; and submitting the immigration admissions form to an immigration admission forms database for the destination country.

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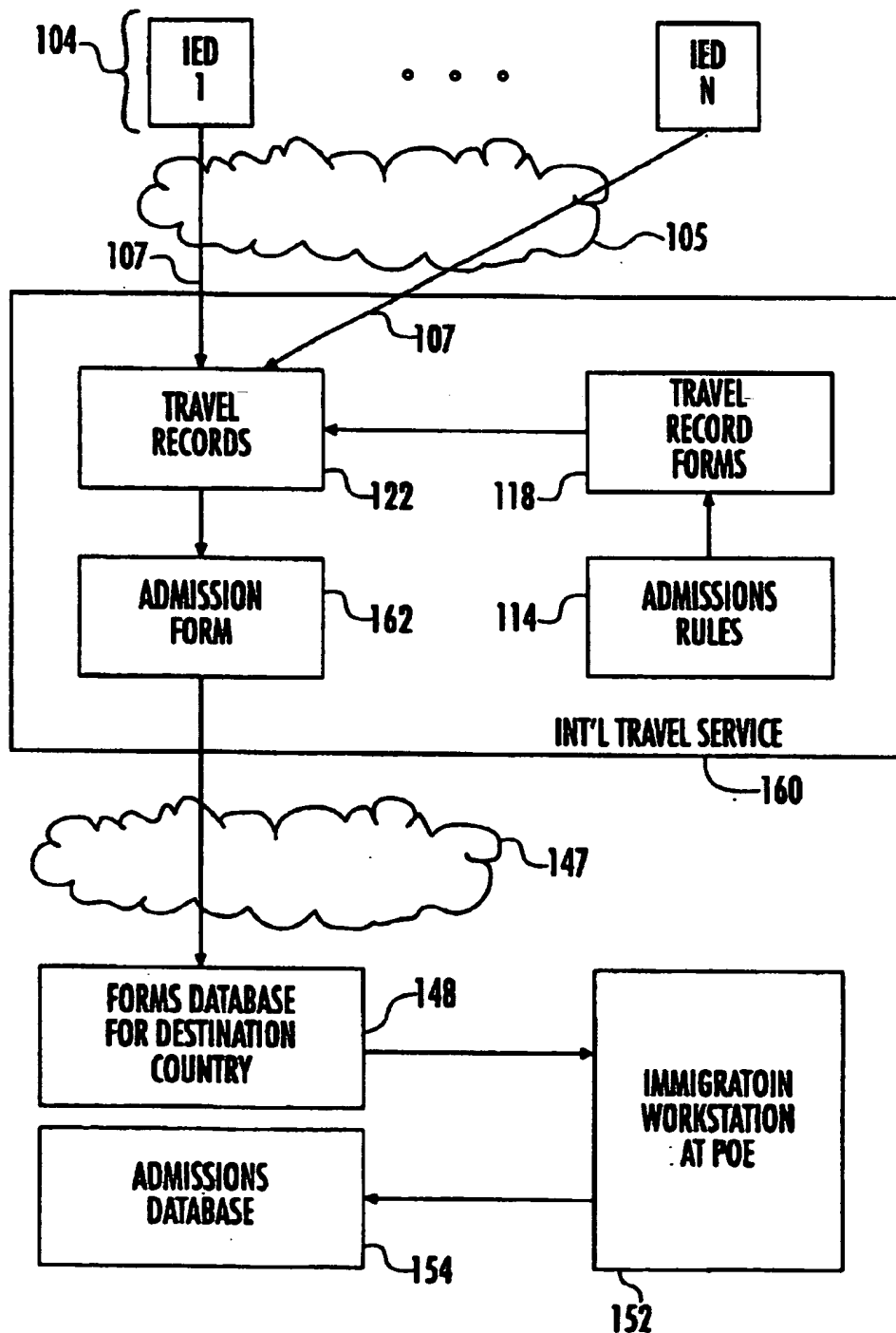


FIG. 1

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FIG. 2 is a detailed block diagram of the system architecture. It illustrates the interaction between a user (102) and an IED (104) containing modules for QUERY, TRAVEL RCRD, VALIDATE, and SUBMIT. The IED interacts with an INT'L TRAVEL SERVER (148) which includes a FORMS DATABASE FOR DESTINATION (150), an ADMISSIONS DATABASE (154), and an IMMIGRATION WORKSTATION AT POE (160). The server also manages TRAVEL RCRDS (122), EMPTY FORMS (142), and TRAVEL RCRD FORMS (118). The process flow involves querying, validating, creating forms, and submitting them, with various data paths labeled with numbers like 106, 108, 110, 112, 114, 115, 116, 120, 122, 124, 126, 128, 129, 130, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 138, 139, 140, 142, 144, 146, 148, 150, 152, 154, 156, 158, 160, 162, 164, and 166.

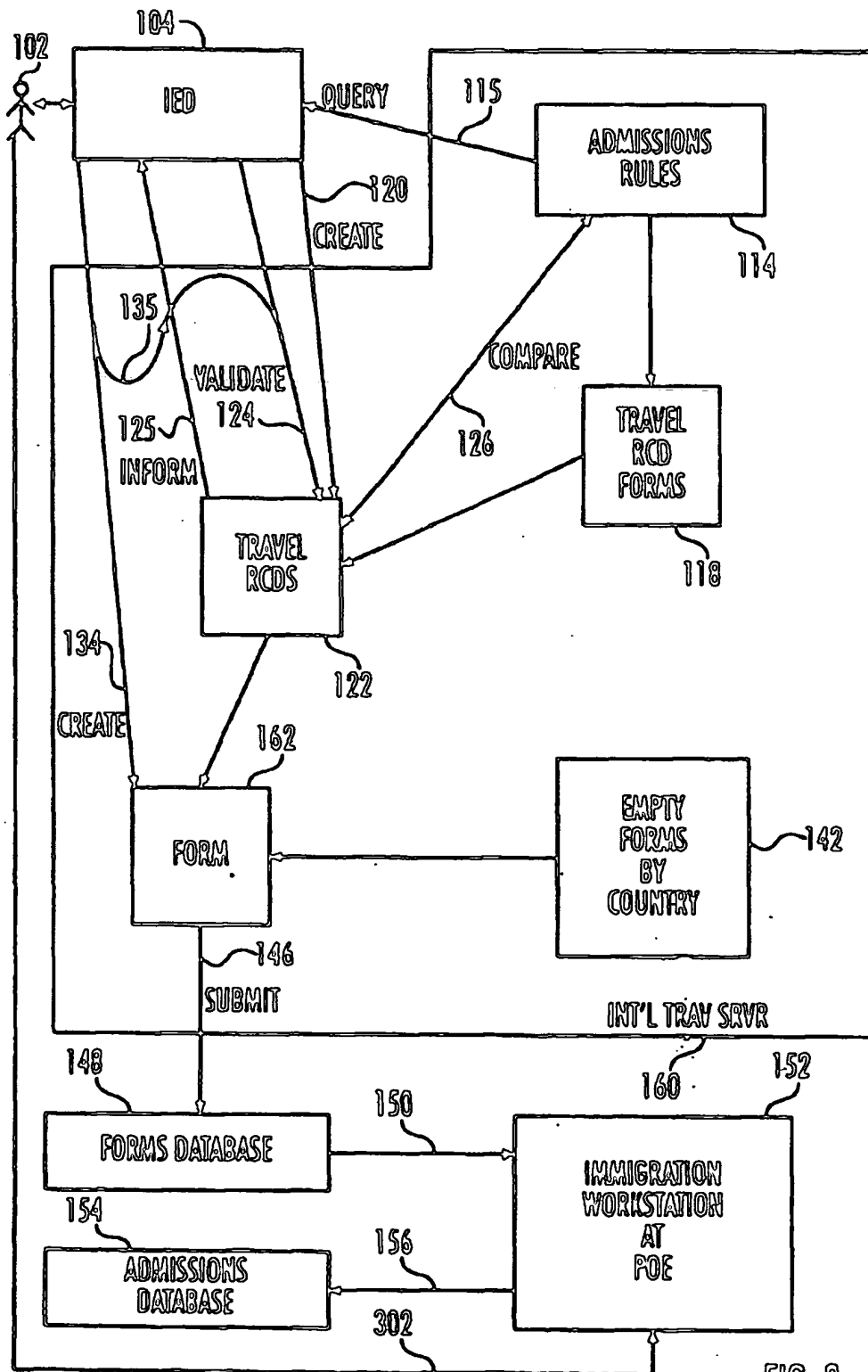


FIG. 3